RUTH SUBER

Ruth Suber was appointed by Governor Michael Dukakis to serve on the Massachusetts Parole Board in 1985, and continued to serve in this capacity until 1997. During her 12 year tenure on the Board, she made decisions on thousands of cases that came before the Board while also serving as a mentor to newly appointed board members and working to review and develop special parole conditions. During her tenure on the Board, Ruth Suber was also responsible for the development of the "Ex-Cell Workshop," a program designed to educate youth and young adults about the parole system and to encourage them to seek alternate ways to deal with conflict.

Prior to serving on the Parole Board, Ruth Suber was the Assistant Director for Criminal Justice Placement in the Department of Career Development at Northeastern University and worked at the Massachusetts Committee on Criminal Justice as the program monitor/evaluator for the Massachusetts courts.

Ruth Suber served as the Program Director for the Council of Elders Legal Services. Providing free legal services to elderly residents in the City of Boston, her responsibilities included the formulation and implementation of policy initiatives.

Ruth Suber became a member of the Justice George Lewis Ruffin Society in 1986. Closely affiliated with the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University, the society is dedicated to establishing greater mutual understanding between the minority community and the criminal justice profession and promoting the advancement of minorities in the field of criminal justice.

Ruth Suber is currently chronicling her experience as a Parole Board member in a book about the parole decision-making process.

Born in Roxbury, MA, Ruth holds both a Bachelors and Masters Degree in Criminal Justice from Northeastern University.